20-25% of developed land in all housing projects (both by public and private agencies) for Economically weaker Sections (EWS), Low Income Group (LIG) category with a system of cross subsidization as part of the Reform agenda to be carried out at the State level.

The Prime Minister and Minister of State (I/C) for Housing and Urban Poverty Alleviation have addressed Chief Ministers of States to take steps to provide basic entitlements and amenities to the urban poor, including land tenure and affordable housing, in a time-bound manner.

Dialogue with Foreign Minister of Pakistan

*144. SHRIMATI SUPRIYA SULE:
SHRI GIREESH KUMAR SANGHI:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Foreign Ministers of India and Pakistan met in May, 2008 to continue the unfinished dialogue;

(b) if so, whether there was also a meeting on Indo-Pak anti-terror mechanism in the month of October, 2008;

(c) if so, the main subjects discussed thereat;

(d) whether any agreement in regard to meeting the threat of terror has been reached;

(e) if so, to what extent both countries have implemented the proposals; and

(f) to what extent anti-terror mechanism of India and Pakistan has been successful?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) to (e) The Joint Anti Terrorism Mechanism had discussed the bombing of the Indian Embassy in Kabul and other issues of concern. No response has been received from Pakistan on the details on the attack on the Embassy provided to it. Government awaits Pakistan's response.

(f) The joint Anti Terrorism Mechanism unfortunately has not delivered desired results on its mandate.

Gap in consumption-expenditure

†*145. SHRI RAM JETHMALANI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there is a huge difference in the consumption expenditure of the people living in the rural and urban areas of the country;

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†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.